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In re Application of
Ulmert et al.
Application No. 10/575,806
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Att. Docket No.: 150343
For: Method For Treatment Of Sludge

DECISION

The petition to revive under 37 CFR 1.137(b) filed on 19 November 2009 in the above-captioned application is hereby **DISMISSED**, without prejudice, as follows:

A review of the application file reveals that applicants have paid the petition fee. The required reply, in the form of the basis national fee, has been filed. No terminal disclaimer is required.

Petitioner states that "the entire delay in paying the basic national fee from the due date for paying the fee until the filing of this Petition was unintentional." Petitioner attributes the delay from 17 April 2006 to 13 November 2009 to a medical condition experienced by Atty. Steven S. Payne. Atty. Payne describes symptoms he experienced during the period of delay in question. However, Atty. Payne does not directly address the issue of whether the delay arose because, e.g., he overlooked the facts of this case, or whether at any time he made a conscious decision to deliberately delay revival or prosecution of the application. It would be appropriate for Atty. Payne to clarify this point.

If reconsideration on the merits of this matter is desired, a proper response must be filed within **TWO (2) MONTHS** from the mail date of this decision. Any reconsideration request should include a cover letter entitled "Renewed Petition Under 37 CFR 1.137(b)." Extensions of time may be obtained under 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Any further correspondence with respect to this matter may be filed electronically via EFS-Web selecting the document description "Petition for review and processing by the PCT Legal Office" or by mail addressed to Mail Stop PCT, Commissioner for Patents, Office of PCT Legal Administration, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450, with the contents of the letter marked to the attention of the Office of PCT Legal Administration.

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